UTAH DIVISION OF WILDLIFE RESOURCES

Urbanization

Utah is the sixth most urbanized state in the nation. As urban sprawl continues, towns and cities consume ponds, creeks and rivers. If we fail to protect and manage existing recreational sites, we will lose them to growth. We must educate people about the significance of keeping these wonders in their backyards.

The true stewards of the environment are the people who regularly interact with it. Kids today spend more time inside with computers and games, and spend less time outside learning about the world around them. These are kids we must reach with the Division of Wildlife Resources Community Fishing Program. If we do not reach them now, where will we be in the future, and what will our environment be like?

The message is simple

We all must take responsibility for our world.

Our children are our future

We must get children outside to interact with the environment. To ensure that children have a chance to catch fish, we will stock trout in the spring and fall. We will also provide a stable, self-sustaining warm water fishery with suitable water. We will work within communities to promote and aid fishing clubs. The number of fishing clubs and members must increase every year. We distribute this community fishing booklet each year to provide people with up-to-date information.

The future is in our grasp. There is strength in numbers. Working together, we will succeed!



Community fishing regulations

If you are 12 years old or older, you must possess a valid Utah fishing license to fish in Utah. The *Utah Fishing Guidebook* has rules and season dates for specific species and waters. The guidebook is free and is available at all Utah Division of Wildlife Resources offices, at many sporting goods stores and online at wildlife.utah.gov/guidebooks.

Law of possession

You may *not* take more than one bag limit in any one day or possess more than one bag limit of fish—regardless of the number of days spent fishing.

Report those violating the law by calling 800-662-DEER.

Great fisheries depend on you!

Respect the outdoors. Protect wild creatures and their homes. Keep your fishing spot tidy, and properly dispose of fishing line, bait and other trash. Respect the space around other anglers. Keep noise to a minimum, so as not to disturb people or fish.

Respect your catch. Quickly and carefully release fish you won't be eating. Make sure your "keepers" stay alive or on ice until time to clean them. After cleaning, keep your fish refrigerated or frozen until you prepare them for the table. During the summer, your catch can spoil if it is not quickly and properly stored.

Take a buddy fishing! Share your skills and have fun with family and friends!

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Location: At the mouth of Box Elder Canyon in Brigham City, on the north side of highway 90 **Rules:** Boating and floating are not

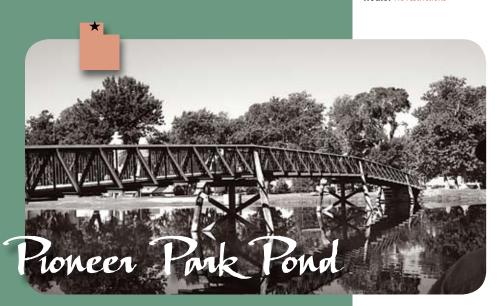
allowed.

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish.

City: *Brigham City* **Size:** *1.5 acres*

Likely catch: Rainbow trout
Possible catch: Brown trout
Handicap access: No
Hours: No restrictions



Location: 600 W Forest St., on the east side of Pioneer Park

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

Hours: No restrictions

Extras: Parking, swimming pool, playground, covered picnic tables, shade and restrooms.

Rules: Boating and floating are not

allowed.

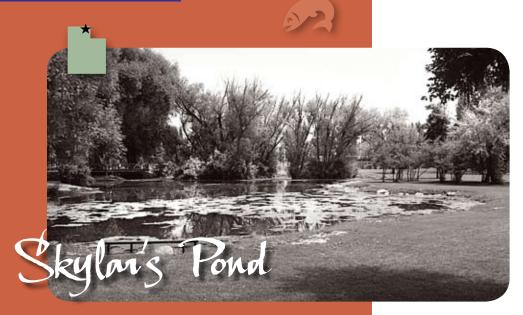
Handicap access: Yes

City: *Brigham City* **Size:** *2.5 acres*

Likely catch: Rainbow trout, largemouth bass, bluegill, channel catfish, black bullhead, green

sunfish and black crappie.

CACHE COUNTY



Location: 419 W. 700 S. in Logan, inside Willow Park

Daily bag & possession limit:

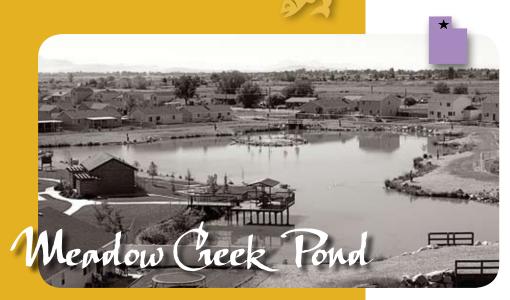
A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

Extras: Picnic tables in park, restrooms

and fishing pier Handicap access: Yes City: Logan Size: 1 acre

Likely catch: Rainbow trout, largemouth bass, bluegill, green sunfish and channel catfish **Hours:** *Pond is open during park*

hours.



Location: 4200 W. 5075 S. in Roy Daily bag & possession limit: A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass. Extras: Picnic tables in park, restrooms, trails, parking, fishing pier and playground

Rules: Keep pets on leash. No glass containers. All city ordinances apply. Respect private property. No boating or floating. City: Roy
Size: 4 acres

Likely catch: Channel catfish, rainbow trout, bluegill, yellow perch, largemouth bass and carp

Hours: Daylight hours only Handicap access: Yes



Location: 2450 A Avenue in Ogden, just west of the City Center.
Extras: Shade, picnic areas, tables, restrooms and grills.

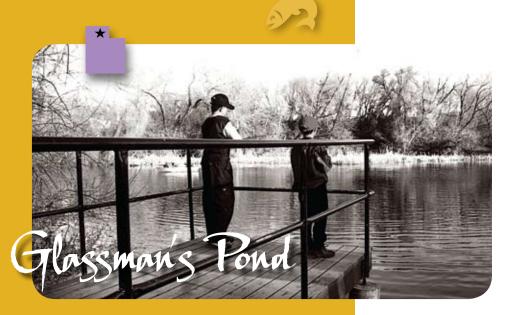
Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.
Rules: Only canoes and float tubes permitted on the pond.

City: Ogden Size: 2 acres

Hours: 8 a.m. until dark Likely catch: Rainbow trout and possibly bluegill, largemouth bass and common carp.

WEBER COUNTY



Location: 1126 E. 4600 S., enter via hospital entrance on 44th south and turn left to parking area Daily bag & possession limit: A total of two fish. Please voluntarily

release all largemouth bass.

Extras: Fishing pier
Pulos: No motorized water

Rules: No motorized watercraft allowed. Please respect private property.

Handicap access: No

City: Ogden
Size: 3 acres

Hours: 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. **Likely catch:** Largemouth bass,

bluegill, channel catfish, black crappie and green sunfish

Possible catch: Rainbow trout

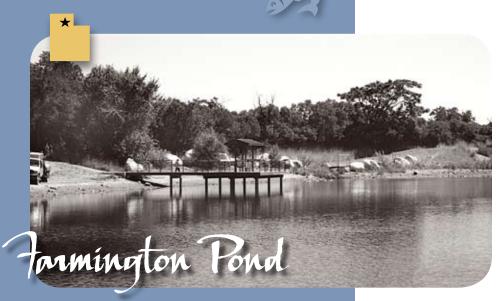


Colors vary greatly with patterns depending on habitat, size and maturity.

Stream residents and migrant spawners are darker and have more intense colors than lake residents or nonspawners. Lake residents tend to be silvery. A mature rainbow is dark green to bluish on the back with silvery sides. The reddish horizontal band typifies the species. The belly may be white to silvery. Irregular black spots are usually present on the head, back and sides. Rainbow trout are heavily stocked in almost every coldwater drainage in Utah.



It is a very hardy trout that competes well with other fishes and endures marginal water qualities better than most trouts. It generally has golden brown hues with yellow under parts. The males during spawning are often brilliantly splashed with crimson spots circled with blue halos. Its upper body is usually profusely dappled with large, irregular, dark-chocolate spots. It is carnivorous and sports a stronger, sharper set of teeth than most trouts. Brown trout often grow to considerable size.



Location: 750 N. 75 W., near the mouth

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

Extras: Restrooms, parking, shade, benches, fishing pier and fish cleaning

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Rules: Closed in winter. Keep pets on leashes. No boating or floating.

Handicap access: Yes

City: Farmington **Size:** 3–4 acres

Hours: Sunrise to 11 p.m. Likely catch: Rainbow trout, channel catfish, bluegill and

largemouth bass



Location: 3000 W. 2415 N. in Clinton
Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

Rules: No dogs allowed. Boating and floating by permit only.

Handicap access: Yes

City: Clinton
Size: 4 acres

Hours: Sunrise to 10 p.m. Likely catch: Rainbow trout, largemouth bass, bluegill and channel catfish



Location: 3176 S. Bluff Rd. in Syracuse **Extras:** Covered picnic areas, trail system, restrooms, parking, fish cleaning station

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

Rules: Keep dogs on leashes. Owners must pick up after animals. No alcohol. No camping or fires. No swimming. All city ordinances apply. Boating and floating require a city City: Syracuse
Size: 7 acres
Handicap access: Yes
Likely catch: Channel catfish,
rainbow trout, largemouth bass,
bluegill and yellow perch



Location: Just west of Legacy Highway. Take the 500 S. exit off Legacy and head north 1.5 miles

Handicap access: Yes **Hours:** not specified

Extras: Wildlife observation areas, restrooms, picnic areas, parking, trail system, fishing piers & boat ramp

Rules: No motorized watercraft
Daily bag & possession limit:
A total of two fish. Please voluntarily

City: Bountiful Size: 50 acres

Likely catch: Largemouth bass, bluegill, black bullheads, channel catfish, walleye, yellow perch, white bass, trout, black crappie, green sunfish and common carp



Location: 725 S. 50 W. in Kaysville,

just east of Interstate 15

Rules: Park in parking lot only! Float

tubes and canoes only.

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please voluntarily

Extras: Parking lot, pavilion, restrooms

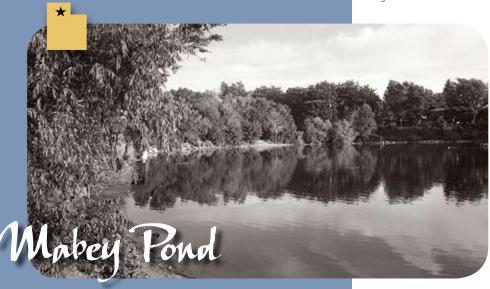
Hours: Sunrise to sunset **Handicap access:** No

City: Kaysville **Size:** 5 or 6 acres total

(4 ponds)

Likely catch: Rainbow trout (fall and winter) channel catfish, largemouth bass and

bluegill



Location: 310 S. 500 E., on the southeast side of Lakeside Square shopping center

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

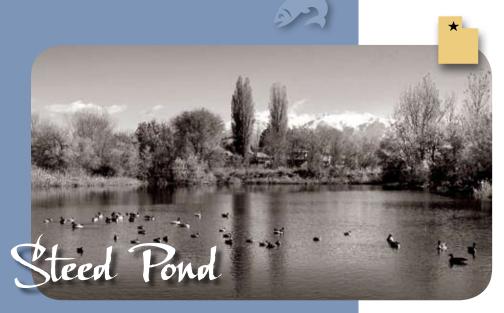
Extras: Fishing pier

Rules: Keep dogs on leashes. Owners must pick up after animals. No motorized watercraft allowed.

Handicap access: Yes Hours: Sunrise to sunset **City:** Clearfield **Size:** 3.8 acres

Likely catch: Black crappie, largemouth bass, bluegill and

channel catfish



Location: 300 N. 1000 W., just north of

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Handicap access: No

Rules: Keep dogs on leashes. Owners must pick up after animals. No boating or floating.

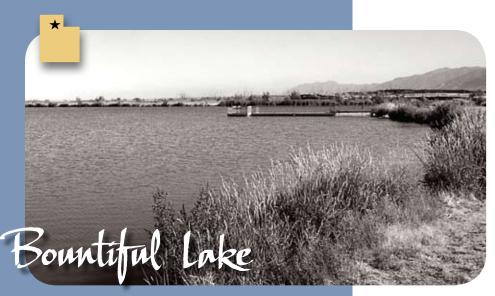
Extras: None

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

City: Clearfield Size: 2.5 acres

Hours: 5 a.m. to midnight Likely catch: Largemouth bass, bluegill, channel catfish, rainbow trout and common carp



Location: Just west of Legacy Highway. Take the 500 S. exit off Legacy and head north 1.5 miles

Handicap access: Yes **Hours:** not specified

Extras: Wildlife observation areas, restrooms, picnic areas, parking, trail system, fishing piers & boat ramp

Rules: No motorized watercraft
Daily bag & possession limit:
A total of two fish. Please voluntarily

City: Bountiful Size: 50 acres

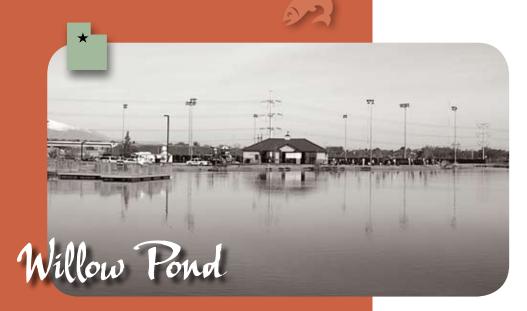
Likely catch: Largemouth bass, bluegill, black bullhead, channel catfish, walleye, yellow perch, white bass, trout, black crappie, green sunfish and common carp



Bluegill are shorter, deep-bodied fish, whose name comes from the dark flap over the gills. The body is olive-green with vertical bars, and some blue and orange may be present. Bluegills can be caught by using worms or insects on a small hook, and will also take your small jig or fly.



The black crappie has two closely joined dorsal fins. Black crappie are silver-olive with numerous black or green splotches on the sides. Vertical bars, prominent in the young, are absent in adults. Sides are light, iridescent green to silvery. Belly is silvery to white. Pelvic fins are opaque with some black on the tips of the membranes, and pectoral fins are dusky and transparent. It is fairly abundant in Utah lowland warm waters from Cache Valley to Lake Powell.



Location: 6059 S. Murray Parkway Ave. (1080 W). — just north of the Murray Golf Course

Daily bag & possession limit:A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

Extras: Restrooms, picnic areas, fishing pier, parking, trail system, fish cleaning station, playground and other recreational areas.

Rules: *No boating or floating* **Handicap access:** *Yes*

City: Murray
Size: 4 acres

Likely catch: *Trout, channel catfish, bluegill, largemouth bass and pumpkinseed*



Location: 898 E. Riparian Dr. (11815 S), inside Mehraban Wetlands Park Daily bag & possession limit:

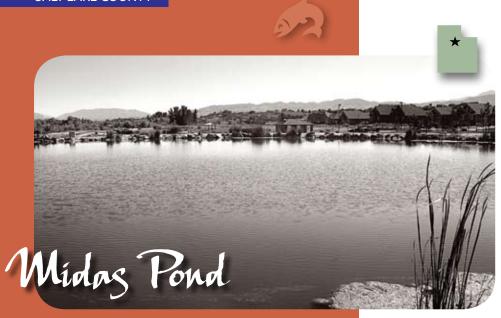
A total of two fish.

Extras: Park benches, shade and fishing pier

Rules: Respect private property. No motorized watercraft allowed. Handicap access: No City: Draper Size: 1 acre

Likely catch: Rainbow trout, bluegill, green sunfish, channel catfish, pumpkinseed and black bullhead

Hours: Sunrise to 10 p.m.



Location: 920 W. 11200 S., at southwest side of River Front Park

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please release all largemouth bass.

Extras: Restrooms, hiking trail, parking

and pavilions

Rules: Pack out trash. Boating and

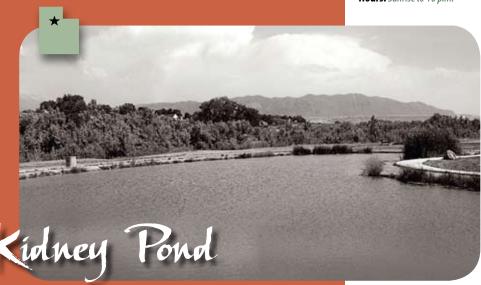
floating are not allowed. **Handicap access:** No

City: South Jordan
Size: 1 acre

Likely catch: Rainbow trout, channel catfish, largemouth bass, bluegill, black bullhead and

channel catfish

Hours: Sunrise to 10 p.m.



Location: 920 W. 11200 S., at southwest side of River Front Park

Daily bag & possession limit:A total of two fish. Please release all largemouth bass.

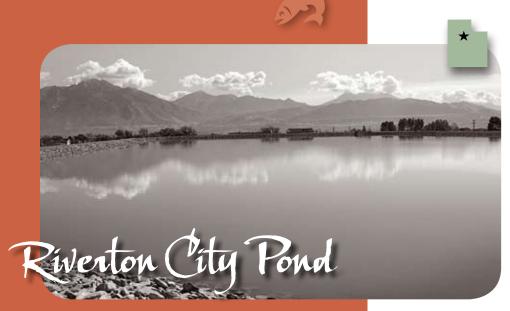
Extras: Covered picnic areas, trail system, restrooms and parking

Rules: All city ordinances apply. No boating or floating.

Handicap access: Yes

City: South Jordan **Size:** 1.2 acres

Likely catch: Rainbow trout, largemouth bass, bluegill, black bullhead and channel catfish **Hours:** Sunrise to 10 p.m.



Location: Approximately 3200 W. 13680 S., just north of Bangerter Highway

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please release all largemouth bass.

Rules: No boating, floating, swimming, alcohol, ice fishing, ATVs, overnight camping or horses. Keep pets on leash. Do not clean fish on site.

Handicap access: *No* **Hours:** *Posted at location*

City: Riverton
Size: 7.6 acres

Likely catch: *Rainbow trout, channel catfish, bluegill*

Possible catch: Largemouth bass, yellow perch, blueqill, white bass



Location: 7200 W. 14200 S. in Her-

Handicap access: Yes

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please release all largemouth bass.

Extras: Restrooms, gazebos, picnic areas with BBQ grills, parking, trail system, fish cleaning station, play-ground and volleyball

Rules: No ice fishing, alcohol, fires, swimming or watercraft. Please clean up after yourself.

City: Herriman Size: 1.2 acres

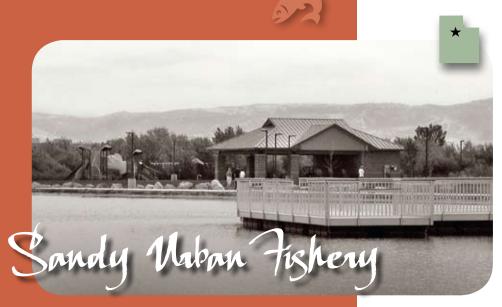
Likely catch: Channel catfish

and rainbow trout

Possible catch: Bluegill and

largemouth bass

Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.



Location: 1000 W. 9800 S. in Sandy **Daily bag & possession limit:** A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

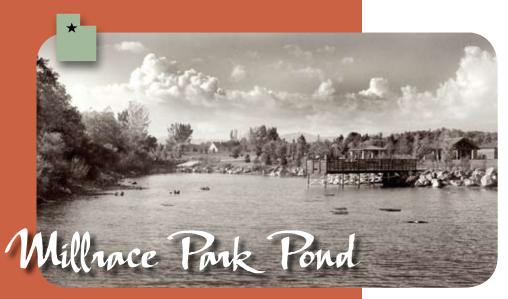
Extras: Parking, restrooms, playground, pavilion, fish-cleaning station and fishing pier.

Handicap access: Yes

City: Sandy Size: 3 acres

Likely catch: Bluegill, large-mouth bass, channel catfish and rainbow trout.

Hours: Sunrise to 10 p.m.



Location: 1200 W. 5400 S. **Handicap access:** Yes

Extras: Picnic areas, restrooms, fishcleaning station, fishing pier and more Rules: North half of pond is a wildlife sanctuary with no trespassing signs.

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

City: Taylorsville Size: 3 acres

Likely catch: Bluegill, green sunfish, largemouth bass, channel catfish and rainbow trout Hours: Pond is open during park

hours.



Three sub-species evolved from the only trout native to Utah. Cutthroats are best distinguished by their crimson slash along the lower jaw. They lack the iridescent pink stripe of the rainbow trout.

Historically, Bonneville cutthroat trout inhabited the Bonneville Basin.
They have sparsely scattered, distinctive round spots over their upper bodies. Their upper bodies are clothed in subdued colors of silver-grey to charcoal, with subtle hues of pink on flanks during spawning. They often lack the bright crimson jaw slash that are sometimes yellow—particularly the Bear Lake strain.

Colorado River cutthroat trout evolved in the Colorado and Green River drainages and are noted for their brilliant coloration. Spawning males have bright crimson stripes along their sides and stomach. Spotting is usually concentrated near the tail.

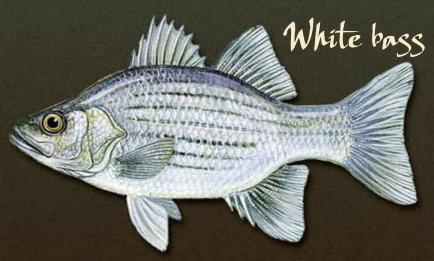
Yellowstone cutthroat are native to the Snake River drainages, such as the Raft River Mountain area of northwest Utah. In the recent past, they were the predominant subspecies used in Utah management programs. They are lightly spotted with distinctive round spots concentrated near the tail. Today, the two other native strains are more extensively used in the sport-fisheries programs.



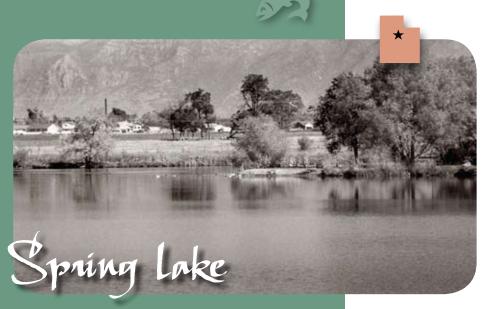
Exhibiting a wide range of colors, brook trout (a char) may be olive to blue-gray on the back to white on the belly. Red spots, usually with bluish halos around them, are present on the sides. Characteristic light wavy marks on the back are a distinguishing feature. Obvious white and then black stripe along the fore edge of each of the lower fins aids in separating brook trout from most other trouts. Caudal fin is square or lightly forked.

Green sunfish

Green sunfish are brassy-green or blue-green on the back, sometimes with metallic green flecks and dusky bars on the sides. The flap over the gills is a dark color. This fish will strike at worms, bait or smaller artificial lures.



Coloration on the back is grey or charcoal, green, with silvery sides and white belly. They have five to seven longitudinal stripes on each side. The body is deeper and less streamlined than the striper. They are common in Utah Lake, where they dominate all other fishes.



Location: 12240 S. Spring Lake Rd., just north of city limits.

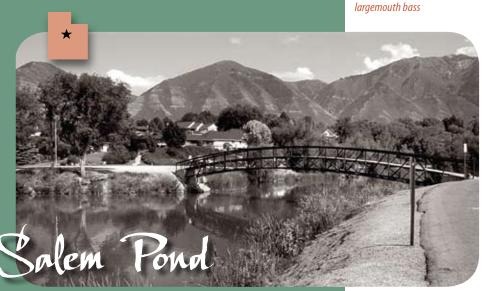
Daily bag & possession limit: A total of two fish. Please release all

Extras: Several tables, benches and shade

Rules: ATVs and overnight camping are not allowed. Canoes and float

City: Spring Lake
Size: 6 acres

Hours: Sunrise to sunset Handicap access: No Likely catch: Rainbow trout, channel catfish, bluegill and



Location: 300 S. Main St. — parking at 200 W. 300 S.

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

Extras: Parking, restrooms, tables,

shade and fishing pier

Rules: No horses and no vehicles on paved path. Motorized watercraft need permit from city (801.423.2770). Non-motorized boating and floating allowed May through October.

City: Salem
Size: 11 acres

Hours: 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Likely catch: Rainbow trout, channel catfish, largemouth bass, bluegill and maybe, walleyes.



Location: West of Lone Peak High — enter from 4800 W. via Knight Ave.

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please release all

Handicap access: Yes **Hours:** 5 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Extras: Playground, restrooms, picnic areas, tables, fishing pier, pavilion (call 801.756.5751 to reserve)

Rules: No camping, fires or motorized watercraft. Keep dogs on leashes.

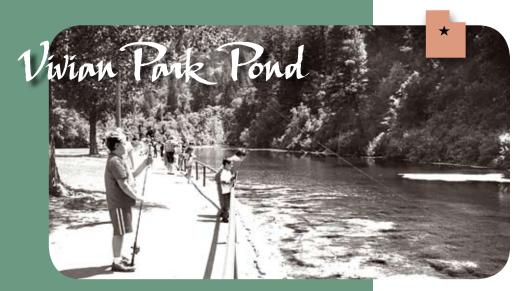
Notes: Highland Fling Youth Fishing Derby, June 20, 7 a.m. to noon

City: Highland Size: 3 acres

Likely catch: *Rainbow trout* and channel catfish

Possible catch: Yellow perch, bluegill, largemouth bass and

green sunfish



Location: Nine miles up Provo Canyon, on the south side of highway

Daily bag & possession limit: *General regulations apply.*

Extras: Parking, bike lock, restrooms, tables, benches and shade.

Rules: Recommended that fishing is only for children under 12 and handicapped people. No swimming, boating or floating.

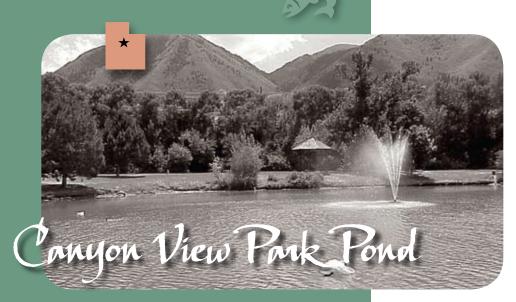
Location: *Provo Canyon*

Size: 1 acre

Hours: 8 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Likely catch: Rainbow trout

and brown trout

Handicap access: Yes



Location: 3300 E. Powerhouse Rd., by Spanish Oaks Golf Course Daily bag & possession limit: A total of two fish. Extras: Restrooms and fishing pier Rules: Recommended that fishing is only for children under 13. No motorized watercraft are allowed. Park closes at dark.

City: Spanish Fork
Size: 1 acre

Handicap access: Yes Likely catch: Trout



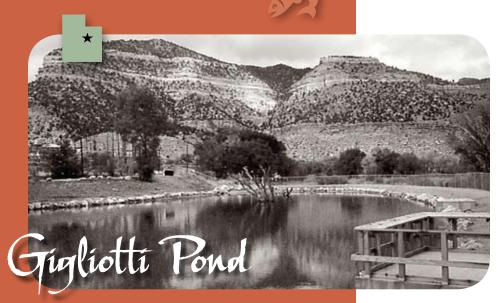
Location: 2931 S. Spanish Oaks Dr. **Daily bag & possession limit:** A total of two fish.

Extras: Handicapped accessible restrooms, fish cleaning station, beach, walking path, picnic areas and RV hookups

Rules: No pets, ice fishing, alcohol, boating or floating. Swimming okay.

City: Spanish Fork
Size: 5 acres

Hours: Sunrise to sunset Handicap access: Yes Likely catch: Rainbow trout



Location: Off highway 6. Once in Helper, drive along Martin Street to the end of the road.

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

Extras: Parking lot, handicapped access trail with shaded fishing stations and bike rack. Nearby store plans to sell licenses and fishing tackle. The pond is on private property. Please respect the property to ensure that free public access continues.

City: Helper **Size:** 1 acre

Handicap access: Yes Likely catch: Bluegill, largemouth bass and rainbow trout



Prominent "canine" teeth distinguish this big perch from its smaller cousin, the yellow perch. Color is brassy olive buff, sometimes shading to yellowish sides and white beneath. Large, dark blotch at rear base of the first dorsal fin and the lower lobe of tail is white-tipped. The tail is moderately forked.



Yellow perch are yellowish with dark vertical bars. The caudal fin is forked, and the dorsal fin is divided.

Smallmouth bass

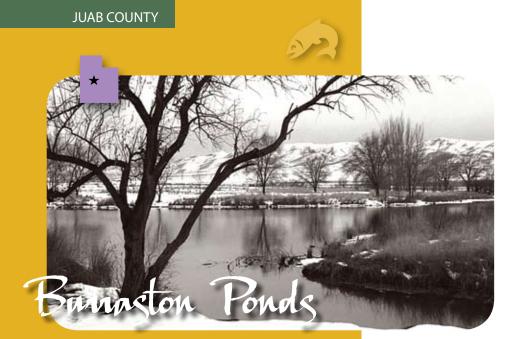


The snout is long and bluntly pointed, the lower jaw slightly longer than the upper jaw. Smallmouth bass vary in color with habitat, but are normally dark olive to brown on the back with the sides lighter and yellowish and the belly yellowish. There are 8 to 15 (average 9) dark vertical bars on the sides which distinguishes them from the largemouth bass. Anterior dorsal fin has 10 spines, and is strongly joined to the soft dorsal. The anal fin has three spines.

Largemonth bass

Head is large and long. Mouth is large and terminal with upper jaw reaching past the center of the eye in adults. The upper parts of the body and head are greenish with a silvery or brassy luster. The belly is white to yellow.

There is an irregular dark stripe along the sides. Eyes are brown.



Location: Travel south from Mona on Hwy 41 for about ¼ mile. Watch for the sign on the left side of the road.

Extras: Picnic tables, trash receptacles

and some shade

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish

City: Mona
Size: 30 acres

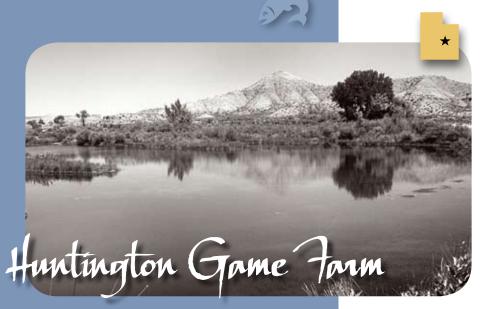
Likely catch: *Rainbow trout,* brown trout and common carp



An often undervalued sport and food fish. Deep, thick body color is gray to brassy green or yellowish green. The body is normally covered with large scales, and carp have fleshy barbels on each side of the mouth. A large spine is present at the front of the dorsal (top) fin. Use worms, dough balls, or other bait and fish on the bottom. Carp will give you a good fight, grow to a large size, and can be tasty when smoked.



This sucker is dark olive to copper, with dusky fins and a subterminal (on the bottom) mouth. Suckers will take small worms and other baits. Utah suckers are very good smoked or bottled.



Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

Location: Turn north off Hwy. 31 onto Huntington N. Loop Rd. Travel ½ mile, then turn right onto dirt road at the bend in the pavement. Park at the locked gate signed as DWR property. Cross the fence and travel ¼ mile by foot to the ponds. At forks in the road, stay left

City: Huntington
Size: Main pond is 3 acres
Likely catch: Rainbow trout,
largemouth bass and bluegill
Extras: None, but tackle, bait
and licenses are available in
Huntington.



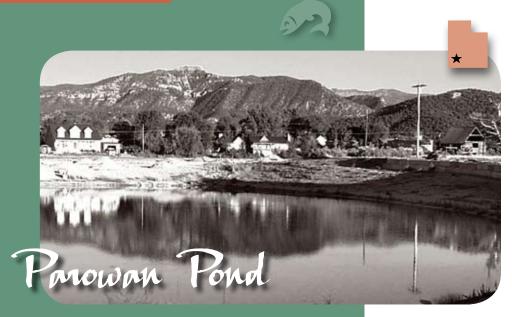
Location: 450 Green River Blvd. **Daily bag & possession limit:**A total of two fish. Please voluntaril

Extras: Parking, picnicing, camping, restrooms and showers—day use fee is \$5 and the overnight fee is \$12.

City: Green River Size: 1 acre

Likely catch: Largemouth bass

and blueaill



Location: 400 W. 100 N. at Dr. Meeks

Pioneer Farmstead

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

Amenities: *None*

Other: Developed and managed cooperatively by the city of Parowan, Parowan Heritage Foundation, DWR and Parowan High School. Partial funding through the Habitat Council.

City: Parowan
Size: 1 acre

Likely catch: *Rainbow trout, largemouth bass, channel catfish*

and bluegill



Location: 10 miles east of Cedar City on Hwy 14.

Amenities: None

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish.

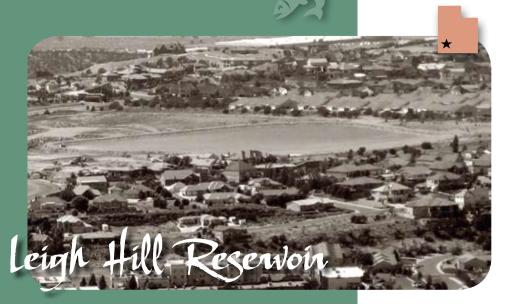
Rules: Children under 14 are encouraged to fish here.

Note: The pond was developed and managed cooperatively by Iron County

and the DWR.

Location: *Woods Ranch* **Size:** *1.2 acres*

Likely catch: Rainbow trout



Location: Approximately 2210 W. Royal Hunte Dr., across the street from Cedar Middle School

Daily bag & possession limit:A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

Amenities: Ramp for hand-launching small non-motorized boats. No handicap access. Future plans for more amenities.

Other: This reservoir is a cooperative project involving the Parowan City, Parowan Heritage Foundation, DWR and Parowan High School. Partial funding through the Habitat Council.

City: Cedar City
Size: 10 acres

New: This is a new water scheduled to open in late spring, 2010. Likely catch: Rainbow trout, channel catfish, bluegill, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass

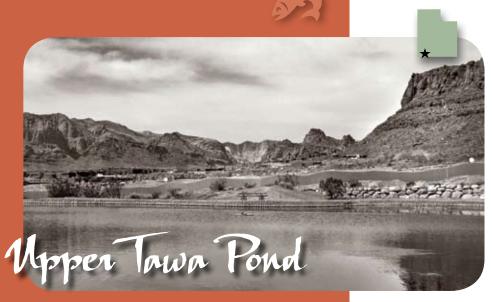


Distinguished from other catfishes by their long anal fin and deeply forked tail.

The body is pale bluish-olive above and bluish-white below. They usually have spots but lose them when older. Both dorsal and pectoral fins have strong, sharp spines. The mouth is short, wide and horizontal with chin and snout barbels.



Adults are blackish, dark olive or dark brown on the back. Belly is greenish-white or bright yellow. They are common in many warm waters of Utah, and abundant in Utah Lake.



Location: 2200 W. Snow Canyon Parkway — near the Canyons Softball Complex

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

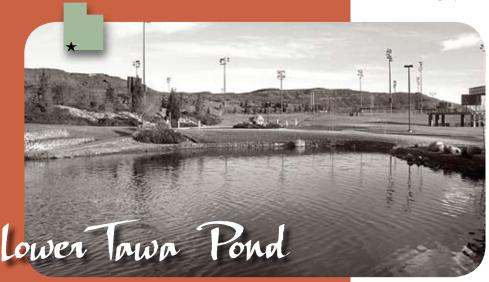
Rules: Anglers over 14 years old are encouraged to use artificial flies or lures.

Other: Developed by the city of St.

George, and cooperatively managed by the city, DWR and Southern Utah Anglers.

City: St. George Size: 0.8 acre Amenities: None Likely catch: Largemouth

bass, bluegill, green sunfish and catchable rainbow trout stocked mid-November through April



Location: 2100 N. 2100 W. — across the road south of Upper Tawa Pond

Daily bag & possession limit:

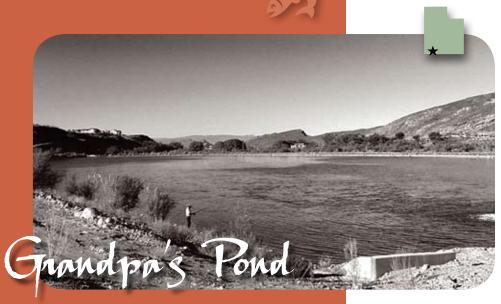
A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

Rules: Anglers over 14 years old are encouraged to use artificial flies or lures.

Other: Developed by the city of St.
George, and cooperatively managed by the city, DWR and Southern Utah Anglers.

City: St. George Size: 0.5 acres Amenities: None Likely catch: Largemouth

bass, bluegill, green sunfish and catchable rainbow trout stocked mid-November through April



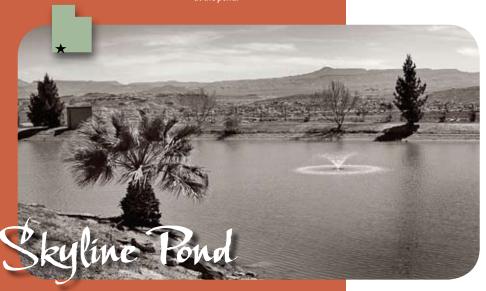
Location: Just southwest of Quail Lake, at approximately 3700 W. 350 N.

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish.

Note: Virgin River chub are present in Stratton Pond. These fish occur only in the Virgin River drainage, and they are federally listed as endangered. Immediately release Virgin River chubs. Photos of these fish are posted at the nond **City:** *Hurricane* **Size:** *7 acres*

Amenities: Restrooms
Likely catch: Rainbow trout



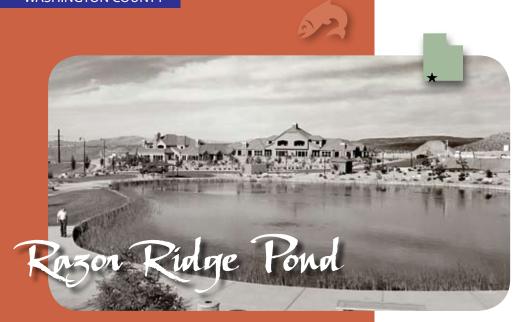
Location: 600 E Skyline Dr. — near the animal shelter

Daily bag & possession limit:

A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

Amenities: Restrooms and fishing pier Rule: Anglers over 14 years old are encouraged to use artificial flies or lures. City: St. George Size: 1 acre

Likely catch: Rainbow trout, largemouth bass and bluegill



Location: On Telegraph St., just south of Highway 9

Daily bag & possession limit:

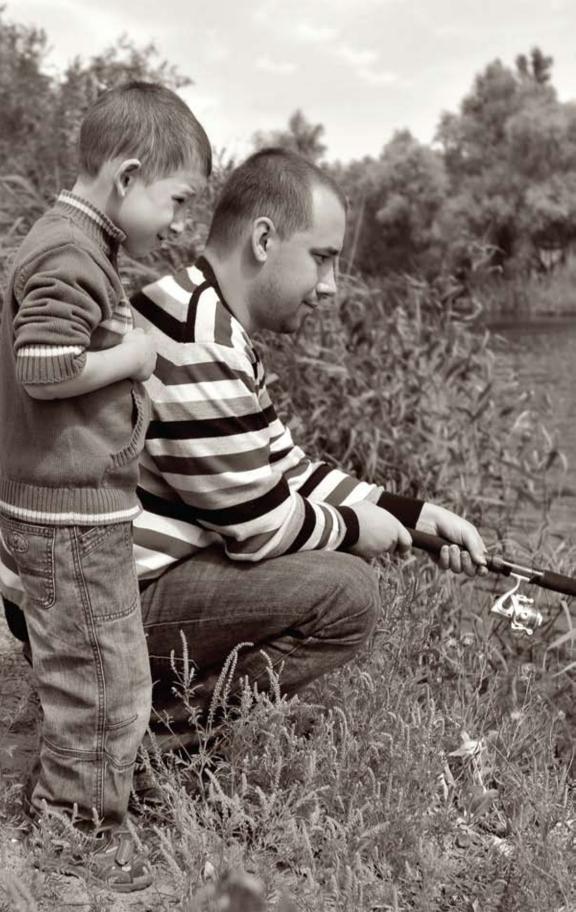
A total of two fish. Please voluntarily release all largemouth bass.

Handicap access: Excellent—most of the pond is surrounded by a concrete sidewalk.

City: Washington **Size:** 2 acres

Amenities: Restrooms, benches, picnic tables, pavilion

Likely catch: Rainbow trout, largemouth bass and bluegill



Catch & release fishing

Selective harvest refers to the practice of taking enough fish for a meal or two. Anglers shouldn't feel that they must keep all that the *Utah Fishing Guidebook* allows every time they fish. Practicing selective harvest makes good use of a precious natural resource. Besides, fish taste best when they're fresh!

Fact: At least one out of three bait caught fish will die after release. Most fish that are "deep-hooked" with bait will die after release. Most fish bleeding from being hooked, will not survive.

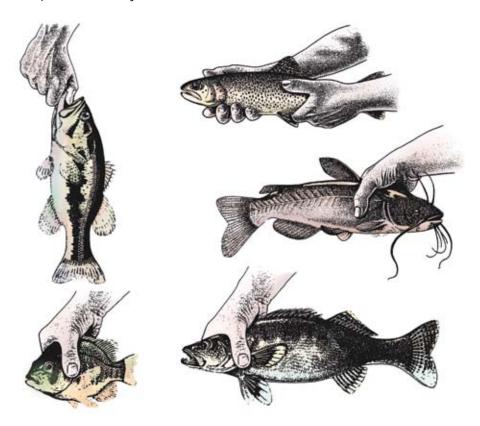
Action: If you plan to fish with bait, work towards catching only what you will keep and use. If your fish is deephooked, cut the line without pulling on the hook.

Fact: Approximately nine out of 10 fish caught on flies or lures will survive after proper release.

Action: When planning on catch and release fishing, fish with flies or lures. Use single hooks with the barb bent down to make release even easier. Cut the line on deep-hooked fish.

Fact: Fish that aren't stressed do better after release. A long time on your line, being out of water and excessive handling can place extra stress on a fish.

Action: Land the fish as quickly as possible. Try to keep the fish in the water while you remove the hook with forceps or needle-nosed pliers. Handle the fish as little as possible. If you must touch it, wet your hands first to help maintain the fish's protective slime coating.



Community fishery changes

LOWER LIMIT PROVIDES MORE OPPORTUNITY FOR EVERYONE.

Starting in 2010, you can catch and keep a daily limit of two fish at Utah's 41 community fishing waters.

For several years the limit was four fish, but Division biologists recommended the lower limit in 2009 after noting the ponds' increased popularity.

Chris Penne, the Division's community fisheries biologist, observed, "Anglers of all ages visit these local ponds to relax, spend time outdoors and catch some fish—and that's a good thing. It also puts these fisheries under tremendous pressure. We stock these waters weekly, but they see a lot of visitors, and the fish vanish quickly."

The Utah Wildlife Board agreed with the biologists' recommendation and approved the reduced limit.

This Division hopes this change will give more anglers the opportunity to catch and keep fish at their local fisheries.

Release largemouth bass

Another way you can help your favorite community fishery is by releasing all largemouth bass you catch. Penne explains, "Bass help keep bluegill populations under control and ensure that some bluegill grow to a decent size. Without the bass, the bluegill population would boom, producing thousands of tiny fish too small for an angler to keep."

This change isn't mandatory, but the Division encourages you to release all bass at community waters.

Help mentor youth

You can also make a difference by volunteering to mentor youth in your community's youth fishing club.

These clubs are open to children six to 13 years of age. Sign-ups usually begin at city recreation departments in early March, and the clubs are typically full by the first of April.

The clubs meet at their local ponds beginning in early April. The children spend the first 30 minutes of each two-hour class learning about fish, angling techniques and habitat. Then, adult volunteers help the kids use their new skills to catch fish.

Adult volunteers are essential to this program. The clubs will be formed only if enough adults sign up to help. Volunteer training—which occurs in February and March—takes only a single evening to complete.

If you would like to volunteer, visit wildlife.utah.gov/cf/clubs.php for more information or contact your local recreation department.



Adult volunteers needed

We need volunteers to teach young people fishing skills.

Adult volunteers make the youth fishing clubs possible, and the clubs exist only when enough adults sign up to help. Volunteer training takes only a single evening to complete. Depending on the community, the one-evening trainings will take place between the February first and mid-March.

"You don't need a lot of fishing experience to volunteer," says Chris Penne, community fisheries biologist for the Division of Wildlife Resources. "If you have a positive attitude, patience and good communication skills, you have everything we're looking for. We'll teach you everything else you need to know to have a great experience with these kids."

Penne says a number of rewards await those who volunteer. "One of the biggest thrills you'll have is seeing the look on a young one's face when he or she reels in a first fish. It's enough to make your whole summer. Our volunteers also feel rewarded by knowing they've helped connect today's youth with the natural world."

If you want to volunteer, contact the recreation department at any of the communities listed on page 41, or visit wildlife.utah.gov/cf/ for the most up-to-date club information.

Free Fishing Day

Take a friend fishing on Saturday, June 5, 2010.

Free Fishing Day is designated by the DWR for residents and non-residents as a day to fish in Utah without having to purchase a license. On a national level, states try to coordinate their free fishing days to coincide with what is known as National Fishing Week, when the recreational fishing community works together to hold numerous fishing clinics and celebrate the joys of fishing. At these clinics, which are sponsored by federal and state resource agencies, fishing organizations, manufacturers, fishing retailers, and outdoor media, event organizers take the opportunity to educate future anglers, bring families and communities together, and generate positive publicity for the sport of fishing.

Youth fishing clubs

The Division of Wildlife Resources has teamed up with Utah communities to offer fishing as a sport. Many of the communities in Utah that have ponds also sponsor a youth fishing club. Youth fishing clubs are open to children six to 13 years old. The clubs meet at the fishing pond in their community beginning in early April. The children spend the first 30 minutes of each two-hour class learning about fish, how to catch them and about the fishes' habitat. Then adult volunteers take the kids to the pond and help them use their new skills to catch fish. Sign-ups usually begin in early March. Clubs are usually full by the first of April, so we encourage those with an interest to enroll as soon as possible.

Youth fishing club communities:

Brigham City

Brigham City Parks & Recreation 20 N Main (435) 734-2013

Bountiful

South Davis Recreation 550 N 200 W (801) 298-6220

Clearfield

Clearfield Parks & Recreation 55 South State (801) 525-2790

Clinton

Clinton City Recreation 1906 W 1800 N (801) 774-2666

Draper

Draper Youth Fishing ClubDraper Recreation Department
1020 E Pioneer Rd
(801) 576-6570

Herriman

Herriman Parks & Recreation 6212 West Butterfield Park Way (801) 254-7667

Highland

Highland Community Enhancement 5378 W 10400 N (801) 756-5751

Kaysville

Utah Botanical Center 725 Sego Lily Drive (435) 797-8060

Murray

Murray Parks & Recreation 296 E Murray Park Ln (801) 264-2614

Ogden

Ogden City Recreation 1875 Monroe Blvd (801) 629-8259

Orem

Orem Parks & Recreation 56 N State (801) 229-7158

Pavson

Payson Recreation 1050 S Main (801) 465-6031

Riverton

Riverton Parks & Recreation 12830 S Redwood Rd (801) 254-0704

Roy

Roy Public Works 5460 \$ 2700 W (801) 774-1090

Salem

Salem Recreation 60 N 100 E (801) 423-2818

Sandy Youth Fishing Club

Sandy Recreation 440 E 8680 S (801) 568-2900

Saratoga Springs

Saratoga Springs Recreation 1307 N Commerce Dr, Suite 200 (801) 310-0609

South Jordan

South Jordan Parks & Recreation 10866 S Redwood Rd (801) 253-5236

Spanish Fork

Spanish Fork Parks & Recreation 428 W Center (801) 798-5068

Syracuse

Syracuse Recreation 1900 S 1912 W (801) 614-9660

Washington

Washington Parks & Recreation 111 N 100 E (435) 656-6300





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The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Office for Diversity and Civil Rights Programs External Programs 4040 North Fairfax Dr., Suite 130 Arlington, VA, 22203



Please report poachers

Utah's fish and wildlife belong to all of us. Daily bag and possession limits give everyone an equal chance to catch fish, so when people take an over-limit, they are stealing your fish. If you see someone breaking the law, please call the poaching hotline toll-free at 1-800-662-DEER. This phone number is also printed on all hunting and fishing licenses.

To make the best case against fish thieves, we need to know exactly what they did, when and where they did it, a description of the person or persons, a description of their vehicles, and the license plate number of their vehicle.

Loss of fishing privileges

People who violate fishing regulations can lose their Utah fishing privileges. The DWR can suspend the license of anglers and hunters who knowingly violate wildlife laws. People convicted of wildlife law violations can lose their licenses in Utah and might not be permitted to fish in other states. Please be a responsible angler, and stay within the law.

Poaching hotline: 1-800-662-DEER

Illegal fish stocking

Putting fish where they don't belong is a disastrous and expensive epidemic.

Would you put a shark in your fish bowl? Of course not, but that's just what's happening at many waters across Utah. Millions of fishing and hunting dollars are spent eradicating illegally introduced fish species, and priceless recreational opportunities are lost.

Here are just some of the fish and aquatic animals that have been illegally moved or introduced in Utah:

Game fish

Black bullhead, green sunfish, yellow perch, black crappie, northern pike, smallmouth bass, pumpkinseed sunfish, blueqill, largemouth bass and walleye

Non-game fish

Gizzard shad, goldfish, koi, red-sided shiner, tinfoil barb, golden shiner, loach, oscar, fathead minnow, Utah chub and common car.

Other aquatic organisms

Crayfish, crocodiles, snapping turtles, painted turtles, bullfrogs and red-eared sliders

Why should new species not be introduced? Undesirable results of illegal introductions include: competition with native or other established species, interbreeding with established species, the spread of disease and parasites, adverse effects to natural habitats, increased fisheries management costs, loss of recreational opportunities and a reduction in the quality of sport fishing.

What can you do? Don't move live fish, amphibians, reptiles, plants or insects from one body of water to another for any reason. Don't release any aquarium fish into public waters. Clean aquatic equipment between waters such as hip boots, boat motors and trailers, live wells and other fishing gear. Report any such activity to the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources as soon as possible.



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